sequel of the policy consistently pursued by my house of associating the people in increasing measure with the administration of the State. Travancore is the first place in India, to introduce adult franchise and this body which consists of members elected on this basis has been summoned to submit proposals for modifying the present constitution of the State with a view to implementing my decision to establish responsible Government. I am confident that the deliberations of the Body will result in the framing of a scheme which will promote the well-being and contentment of all my people.

I now wish this Representative Body God-speed in their great task.

OTHER MESSAGES.

CHAIRMAN: I shall read two other messages I have received. One is from Lt. Col. Godavarma Raja.

"I wish the new Representative Body all success. May Providence guide the deliberations of this epoch-making Body."

The next is a telegram from Trichur, received from Mr. Puthezhathu Raman Menon, President, Cochin People's Congress, addressed to the President, Constituent Assembly, Trivandrum.

"Humble felicitations, hearty congratulations and sincere good-wishes on this happy, auspicious and historic occasion. May Almighty shower choicest blessings on the Assembly enabling them to frame a constitution satisfactory to all and conducive to the progress and prosperity of the State as a whole."

Another message received is from Rev. Bishop Chulaparambil.

"Pray Almighty shower blessing on Constituent Assembly and guide future well-being of our State."

TAKING OF OATH BY MEMBERS AND SIGNING OF REGISTER.

CHAIRMAN: I now call upon the Secretary to read the names of the members for swearing.

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